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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR TESTIMONY OF MEXICAN PRISON OFFICIAL

REF: A. STATE 219488

B. MEXICO 8387

C. MEXICO ESTEP/KOZAK TELECON

1. SUMMARY: PROSECUTING ATTORNEY HAS ASKED DEPARTMENT FOR REPORT ON STATUS OF REQUEST FOR WITNESS IN BALBUENA CASE. REQUEST EMBASSY PROVIDE ASAP. END SUMMARY.

2. ON NOVEMBER 27, NEW YORK COUNTY PROSECUTOR CALLED DEPARTMENT ATTORNEY TO INQUIRE AS TO STATUS OF REQUEST TRANSMITTED IN REF A. HE HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN INFORMED OF EMBASSY COMMENTS CONTAINED REF B.

3. AS NOTED IN REF C, PROSECUTOR ATTACHES SPECIAL IMPORTANCE TO CASE SINCE DEFENDANT ALLEGEDLY PSYCOPATH IMPLICATED IN NUMBER OF MURDERS. PROSECUTOR STATED THAT HE OR MEMBER OF HIS STAFF CAN TRAVEL TO MEXICO ON 24 HOUR NOTICE IF EMBASSY BELIEVES THIS WOULD BE USEFUL IN OBTAINING COOPERATION OF MEXICAN AUTHORITIES. PROSECUTOR ALSO UNCLASSIFIED

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NOTED THAT IN EVENT COOPERATION MEXICAN FEDERAL AUTHORITIES

NOT FORTHCOMING PROMPTLY, HE INTENDS TO TRAVEL TO ISLAS  
MARIS MADRE PRISON (OFF WEST COAST NEAR MAZATLAN) IN DIRECT  
ATTEMPT TO LOCATE KNOWLEDGEABLE WITNESS.

4. PROSECUTOR INFORMS US THAT CASE MAY COME TO TRIAL IN  
7-10 DAYS. IF EMBASSY BELIEVES WITNESS CANNOT BE OBTAINED  
THROUGH MEXICAN FEDERAL CHANNELS WITHIN AVAILABLE TIME-  
FRAME, DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO  
POSSIBLE ALTERNATIVE MEANS OF OBTAINING WITNESS  
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